

HIGH SPEED RAIL (LONDON – WEST MIDLANDS) ACT 2017

HIGH SPEED RAIL (LONDON – WEST MIDLANDS) GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION No. 399

This **GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION** is executed on
by the Secretary of State for Transport (“the Authority”).

5th JUNE 2020

WHEREAS:

- (1) On 23 February 2017 the High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Act 2017 (“the High Speed Rail Act”) received Royal Assent authorising the Authority to acquire the land specified in the Schedule hereto.
- (2) Section 4(1) of the High Speed Rail Act authorises the Authority to acquire compulsorily so much of the land within the limits of the High Speed Rail Act as may be required for Phase One purposes¹.
- (3) Section 4(4) of the High Speed Rail Act provides that the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 (“the 1981 Act”) applies as if the High Speed Rail Act were a compulsory purchase order and paragraph 3² of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail Act provides that the 1981 Act shall have effect subject to the modifications specified in that paragraph.
- (4) Notice pursuant to section 3A³ of the 1981 Act was first published on 20 February 2020. That notice included the particulars specified in section 3A(3) of the 1981 Act.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH that, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 4 of the 1981 Act, the Authority hereby declares:-

1. The land described in the Schedule hereto (being part of the land authorised to be acquired by the High Speed Rail Act) and more particularly delineated and shown coloured pink on the plan annexed hereto, together with the right to enter upon and take possession of the land, shall vest in the Authority as from the end of the period of 3 months from the date on which the service of notices required by section 6⁴ of the 1981 Act is completed.

For the purposes of Section 2(2) of the 1981 Act, the specified period in relation to the land comprised in this declaration is one year and one day.

1 Phase One Purposes has meaning given by section 67 of the High Speed Rail Act

2 Paragraph 3 as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 14 to, the High Speed Rail Act.

3 Section 3A of the 1981 Act as inserted by paragraph 3(a) of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail Act as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraphs 6 and 7 of Schedule 14 to, that Act.

4 Section 6 as modified by paragraph 3(c) of Schedule 6 to the High Speed Rail Act, as substituted by section 11 of, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 14 to, that Act

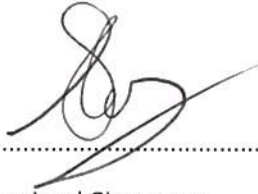
SCHEDULE

Buckinghamshire

(1) Plot No	(2) Plot Description
61551	All interests in 3278.9 square metres, or thereabouts, of river, bed and banks thereof (Stoke Brook), watercourse, agricultural land and hedgerows (Stoke House Farm)
61553	All interests in 6651.9 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land, copse, drain and public footpath (SMA/5/1) (Stoke House Farm)
61554	All interests in 647.0 square metres, or thereabouts, of historic church site and woodland (St Mary the Virgin Church)
61620	All interests in 183.3 square metres, or thereabouts, of woodland and drain (Stoke Grove Farm)
61621	All interests in 205.3 square metres, or thereabouts, of river, bed and banks thereof (Stoke Brook)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Secretary of State for Transport has hereunto set its corporate seal on the day in the year first written above.

The **CORPORATE SEAL** of the SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT hereunto affixed to this deed is authenticated by

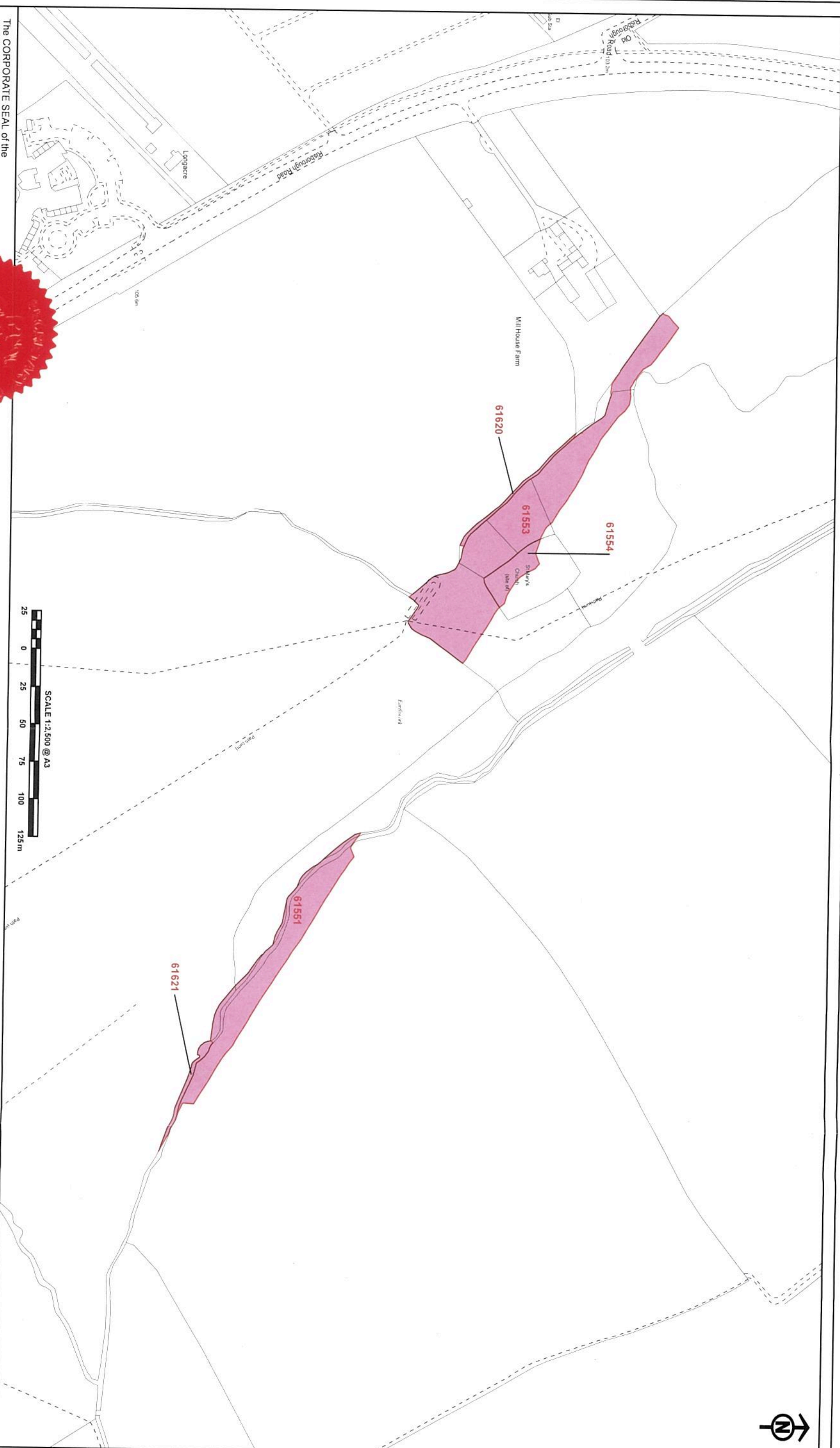


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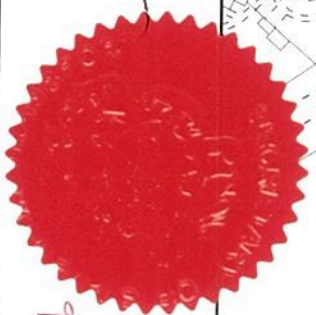
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